

pleased if we could not only take this to the authorizing committee, which I know is prospective and down the road, but have the possibility of working with any more narrow language that might be able to be put in the conference report that at least acknowledges the concerns as we work toward this in the future.

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Chairman, reclaiming my time, I thank the gentlewoman for her comments.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time, while continuing to reserve my point of order.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the requisite number of words.

Mr. Chairman, I just want to congratulate the gentlewoman for bringing this awful issue to our attention. I think that the more we shed a spotlight on this, the more the world will respond. I am particularly pleased with the allocations in this bill for development assistance, for education in particular, which we increased dramatically. If we can educate the population of countries where these kinds of horrors exist, perhaps we will begin to address it more seriously and eradicate this so these children can have a chance to grow in a healthy environment.

We know that the work we have to do here to raise awareness is enormous, and I appreciate the gentlewoman bringing this issue to our colleagues' attention. I look forward to working with the chairman in crafting some language and some action that would increase attention to this issue. I thank the gentlewoman very much.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Chairman, will the gentlewoman yield?

Mrs. LOWEY. I yield to the gentlewoman from Texas.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Chairman, first of all, let me thank the gentlewoman for her deep and passionate commitment and thank her for acknowledging this.

I would just like to pose a question to both the ranking member and to the chairman. I am appropriately made aware, if you will, of the broadness, and obviously it is because of the deep passion that we all share. I would be interested in narrowing the language to have something referred in the report language, and I was wondering if that could be done in the report language of this bill.

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Chairman, will the gentlewoman yield?

Mrs. LOWEY. I yield to the gentleman from Arizona.

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Chairman, I would just note for the gentlewoman from Texas that, of course, the report is done. But if the gentlewoman is talking about in the conference report itself, I could not make a commitment at this time that we could do anything specifically.

But certainly the problem that the gentlewoman has brought to our attention is one that clearly needs to be

dealt with by the appropriate committees, and I would be happy to work with the gentlewoman in any way possible to make sure that is done.

I cannot make a specific commitment about what we can do in the conference committee on this matter.

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Chairman, reclaiming my time, I believe we can commit to addressing the issue and working with the gentlewoman to see if we can appropriately find some language in the conference that could make a difference. I want to thank the gentlewoman very much.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Chairman, if the gentlewoman will yield further, if I could respond, I am an optimist. I thank the gentlewoman for working with me.

Mr. Chairman, with the commitment of trying to work through this issue, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my amendment.

The CHAIRMAN. Without objection, the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON-LEE) is withdrawn.

There was no objection.

Mr. KOLBE. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word. Mr. Chairman, before we rise, let me just make a comment to the body, that we will rise now and we will resume deliberations on this bill on Tuesday, working under the unanimous consent agreement that we have. We have a number of amendments, many of them that will require extensive debate, and I would put all Members on notice that we expect to start as early as possible, we do not have the schedule for next week yet, but as early as possible on Tuesday, and that we would expect to go as long as possible on Tuesday in order to finish this bill.

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE) having assumed the chair, Mr. Thornberry, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2506) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

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SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BUYER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BUYER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Indiana (Ms. CARSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. CARSON of Indiana addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. DAVIS of Illinois addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 9:45 p.m.

Accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 9:45 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. KELLER) at 9 o'clock and 47 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2216, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. DREIER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 107-149) on the resolution (H. Res. 204) waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2216) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BLUMENAUER (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 4:30 p.m. and the balance of the week on account of personal family business.